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Dear Ms. Bailey:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, Government Code chapter 552. We assigned your request ID# 27215.

The City of Victoria (the "city") has received a request for information relating to an offense for which a juvenile was arrested. Specifically, the requestor seeks the "name and address of [the] defendant's parents in Case #...9408420-00." You have submitted the requested information to us for review and claim that section 552.101 of the Government Code excepts it from required public disclosure.

Section 552.101 of the act excepts "information considered to be confidential by law, either constitutional, statutory, or by judicial decision." You assert section 552.101 in conjunction with section 51.14(d) of the Family Code. Section 51.14(d) of the Family Code, as amended by Acts 1993, 73d Leg., ch. 461, § 3, at 1852, 1854, provides, in pertinent part:

Except as provided by Article 15.27, Code of Criminal Procedure, and except for files and records relating to a charge for which a child is transferred under Section 54.02 of this code to a criminal court for prosecution, the law-enforcement files and records [concerning a child] are not open to public inspection nor may their contents be disclosed to the public